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Cindy Cagle

♦ Mini Exhibit

Michael & James Strasser

♦ New & Views

TBA

♦ Coin Quiz

Robie Cagle

Refreshments

Jan Reninger & James Strasser

Presidents Message

I would like to give a big shout out to The Utah Numismatic Society for having a birthday! We could not do it without the support of all our members. Happy 68th years old. So, don't forget to come celebrate the fun with us at our May 14th meeting night.

I would like to thank Doug Nyholm and Ralph Muller for talking to us about Poly notes during our April meeting. It is interesting I noticed how the poly notes look like play money. I would also like to thank Phil Clark on giving a little reabout Bruce port Mossebaker and about him being in the Army. I would also like to extend our condolence to the family.

I hope that everyone has

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been thinking on what kind of medals the club would like to have made. Just a little reminder, if it is copyrighted we need to have authorization for our club to use the design before the May meeting when we vote. Your medal design should center around the state of Utah.

We will be having a short board meeting after the regular society meeting.

Cindy Cagle President

May 2019 Meeting 7:00 PM May 14th

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Conder Tokens

Doug Nyholm

At the recent Layton coin show I spoke to Troy Allgood from St. George who had a wonderful display of British Conder Tokens for sale. Several years ago I purchased a large group of these from a collector and that was my first exposure to these interesting and historic tokens.



First of all, what are Conder tokens? They are also known as "18th century Provincial Tokens" and were privately minted and utilized in Great Britain, Ireland, Wales Scotland and Anglesey. They were struck in the late 18th century to fulfil a need for small coinage. This shortage occurred when in 1775 the British government halted production of copper coins. The reason given by the mint was that the current Penny and Half Penny did not circulate and thusly were not needed. This was somewhat true but the real reason was much more complicated than that they were simply unwanted and un-needed. At the time counterfeiting was rampant and the quantity of counterfeits in circulation was extensive. Some estimates were as high as 75% of copper coins were fake. These fake, underweight and spurious coins were rejected by most consumers and merchants and a real problem existed. Any genuine coins in circulations were quickly removed by numerous counterfeiters, then melted, and re-issued with two or three fakes for each real coin. Additionally the majority of coins in circulation were seen only in the larger cities thus rural villages had virtually no small coins in order to conduct business.

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Initially the Parys Mining company in Anglesey Wales, who was a major producer of copper, decided to produce half-penny and penny tokens to alleviate the shortage. The tokens they produced were of proper weight, equivalent to the British mints standard, and were immediately accepted.

As their popularity increased large numbers of various designs were produced and in just a few years there were literally thousands of different examples in circulation. This is somewhat similar to the Civil War tokens during the Civil War in America. An additional feature of these Conder Tokens was their lettered edges. This was an assurance of genuine weight and inhibited counterfeiters from shaving the coins. By todays standards this seems absurd but in the 18th and 19th centuries the old large copper coins of Britain and the United States actually contained one cent or a penny's worth of copper.



Of the thousands of Conder Tokens in circulation many were created specifically for collectors which has today resulted in many scarce varieties. There are even varieties which at the time were created as a single unique design of which several survive even today.

Finally the British mint in 1797 began striking One Penny and Two Penny Coins at the Soho mint and farthings followed in 1799. By the turn of the century the need for private coinage began to fade but the era of these tokens, referred to as Conder Tokens, now has a firmly devoted following of collectors not only in Britain but also in America.

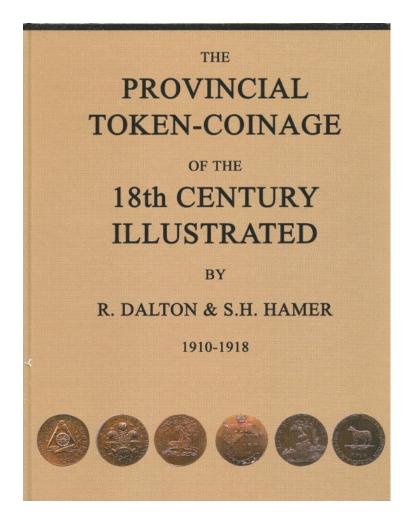


The Condor name associated with these tokens is a result of James Condor, who was the first to index the many varieties. Later, a major reference issued in 1910 by R. Dalton & S.H. Gamer by the title "The Provincial Token Coinage of the 18th Century" was produced and is still a major resource for collectors. These tokens are now also referred to by their D&H number.



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Hopefully, next time you see one of these historic tokens you will be able to understand and relate to their colorful history.







1964 Specimen Kennedy Half Dollar

Doug Nyholm

In browsing the lots included in Heritage's Central States auction catalog which was conducted April 25-28, one item caught my eye. This is something that I believe many Kennedy Half collectors may have never heard of. It is Lot 3360 which was included in their Platinum Night offerings with the headline: "1964 SMS Kennedy Half, SP-67," "Only about a dozen pieces known, a Magnificent Series Rarity."

And you thought your Kennedy Half collection was complete! Very few modern coins have been graded as "Specimen." The Heritage description states that there is a debate as to whether or not these coins were issued in Special Sets as they were never packaged as Special Mint Set coins, or for that matter, with any verifiable packaging. Remember, this is 1964 not 1965 when the first SMS coin sets were issued. Several years ago I first heard about these 1964 Special Mint Set coins and how they came into existence. The presently offered half dollar is not the only such coin as several complete sets of coinage identified as 1964 SMS coins have been identified. The Kennedy Half has 11 confirmed specimens known. PCGS has certified 22 1964 Lincoln cents as SMS coins also. It has been estimated that as many as 25 complete sets mat have been produced.

The only explanation is that in the turbulent years of 1964-65 the mint experimented with special dies beginning in 1964, possibly also in early 1965 in anticipation of what options could be marketed to collectors in lieu of the discontinuance of Proof Sets. Heritage further comments that many or all of these 1964 Special Mint Sets came from the well connected New York dealer, Lester Merkin.

Also, all die markers and diagnostics, at least for this Kennedy Half are present on all known specimens. Additionally, the sharpness is notably far superior to any circulation strike examples.

Now for the collector who wishes to complete his set of Kennedy Halves you will probably gave to dig deep into your funds to locate and purchase another example. The last example of this coin sold, also by Heritage, at their Long Beach auction on 9-2-2016 for the amazing sum of \$47,000.00! But, if you wat a complete set of Kennedy Halves you need this coin. I don't think that the next version of Dansco albums will however add a hole for this coin so for the time being your collection is safe to display and your complete set is intact without this coin.

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BOOK REVIEW #1

Treasury Notes of the War of 1812 By Donald H. Kagin, PhD

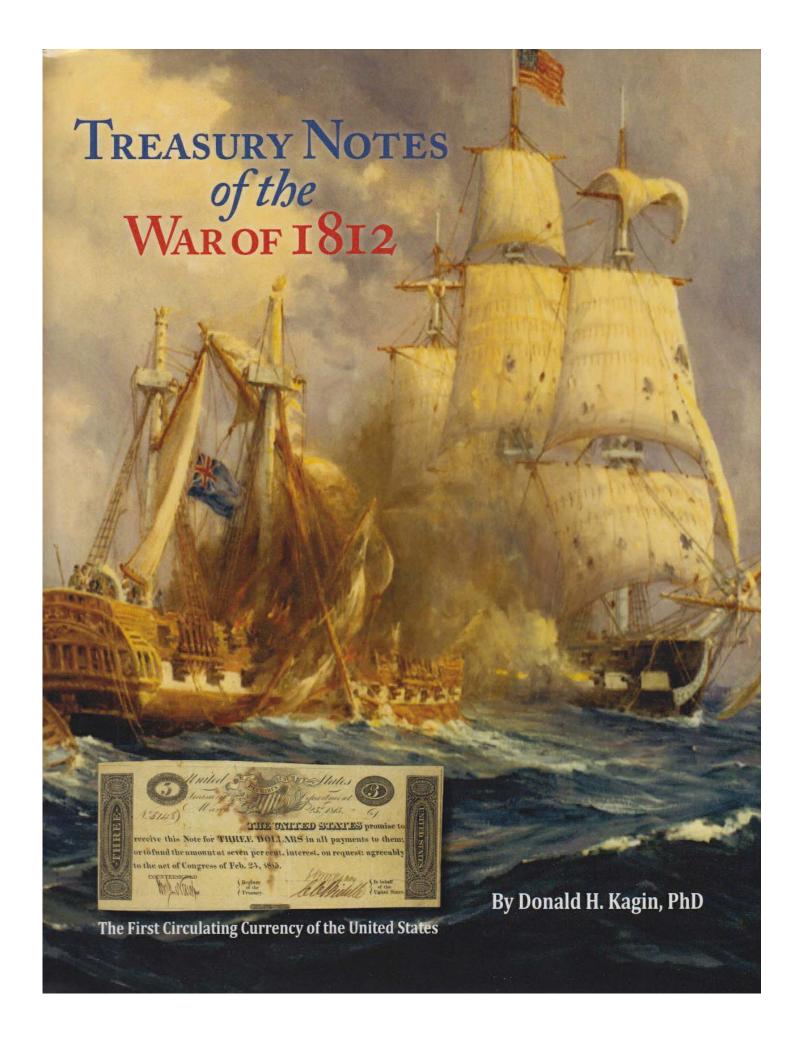
Don Kagin's new book titled "Treasury Notes of the War of 1812" is now available. First, at least for myself is the question, what exactly was the War of 1812 about? We have all heard about it but I'm sure, most people could not explain or give many details regarding the history of the war. This book, although not a college course on the conflict has some very interesting facts about the conflict. More importantly, the book delves significantly into the financial issues at the time and how the loans, banking processes, and the issue of Treasury Notes were affected and originated by this war. There is great detail regarding these early Treasury Notes and how essentially these were the first circulating notes of the fledgling United States of America. The book includes tables of Treasury Note issues and known surviving Treasury Notes and their types.

It certainly was an education for me regarding this little known war and the notes issued which, again, were some of the earliest circulating currency in the United States.

The book is directly available from Kagin's. It is quality hard cover printed in full color. It consists of only 48 pages but they are packed full of information.

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1797 Draped Bust Cent. S-135. Rarity-3. Reverse of 1797, Stems to Wreath. MS-65 BN (PCGS).



1916 Standing Liberty Quarter. MS-66+ FH (PCGS). CAC.



1848 Liberty Head Quarter Eagle. JD-1. Proof-64 (PCGS). CAC.



1895 Liberty Head Quarter Eagle. JD-1. Proof-67 Ultra Cameo (NGC).



1879 Four-Dollar Gold Stella. Flowing Hair. Judd-1635, Pollock-1833, JD-1. Rarity-3. Proof-66 Ultra Cameo (NGC).



1834 Classic Head Half Eagle. McCloskey-7. Second Head, Crosslet 4. MS-64 (NGC).



1801 Capped Bust Right Eagle. BD-2, Taraszka-25. Rarity-2. MS-63 (NGC).



1854-S Liberty Head Double Eagle. AU-58 (PCGS). CAC. From the Fairmont Collection.



1898 Liberty Head Double Eagle. JD-1. Proof-65 Cameo (NGC).



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This month's quiz features several questions taken from the May Numismatist Magazine. There are 20 questions in the article from which I picked the following. Q. David Bowers originally wrote a quiz with 120 questions as part of an employment application years ago for Bowers & Merena Galleries. I got 17 out of the 20 so see there is always room to learn. How will you do on these five?

	do on these five?					
1. t		New Orleans Mint operated striking coins again in		1838 to 1861, closed, reopened and		
	A)	1877	B)	1879		
	C)	1881	D)	1909		
2. The Fort Vancouver Centennial commemorative half dollar was struck in?						
	A)	1921	B)	1923		
	C)	1925	D)	1929		
3. The San Francisco Mint last struck gold coins for circulation in which year?						
	A)	1928	B)	1930		
	C)	1932	D)	1933		
4. Among the early silver coinage of Massachusetts, dated pieces always bear the year 1652, except for the silver two pence, which is dated?						
	A)	1650	B)	1653		
	C)	1662	D)	1694		
5. With a grade of Mint State-65, which coin is the most valuable?						
	A)	1894-O Barber Dime	B)	1876-CC Quarter Dollar		
	C)	1895-O Dollar	D)	1909-SVDB Lincoln Cent		

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Editors Message

What do you read?

I once heard a prolific numismatist state that when he checks his mailbox daily he is disappointed if something in it is not related to his hobby. I actually have similar feelings and thoroughly enjoy pulling a numismatic magazine or book from my mailbox. Yesterday was the jackpot for me as when I opened my mailbox there were FIVE numismatic publications there.

- 1. Bank Note Reporter
- 2. Numismatic News
- 3. Longacre's Ledger
- 4. Coin World
- 5. The Numismatist

I now have several days of reading along with finalizing this months UNS Mint Master ahead of me.

I thoroughly enjoy reading and there is always something new to learn about our great hobby. In scanning yesterdays haul of magazines I note just some of the subjects and articles.

1. 2019-W Quarters 2. 1934 DDO Quarter 3. Seated Liberty Dimes 4. 1796 Quarter 5. Grading 20 cent pieces 6. African coins with American influence 7. Offbeat world denominations 8. Perth Mint Commemoratives 9. Military Payment Certificates 10. 1858 Clashed die quarter 11. Legendary Canadian collection coming to auction 12. Capped Bust Half Dollar article 13. World paper money catalogue upgraded 14. Newly discovery plate for Orig/1875 National Currency 15. John Quincy Adams Indian Peace Medals 16. Interview with Harry J. Forman 17. The 1839 Gobrecht Dollar 18. Nova Eborac Coppers 19. Fake 1853 Quarter 20. Massive Money

The above is just a sampling of articles on my list to read that grabbed my attention. I'm sure there are at least several that may be of interest to virtually everyone.

So, don't forget to read and enhance your knowledge and subsequently your enjoyment of the greatest hobby in the world. And, if you don't or can't subscribe to multiple magazines or periodicals, remember, there is a fantastic amount available on the internet. Actually, there is probably more there about coins than anyone of us could read during the rest of our lives. Knowledge is power and money. Happy reading.

Sincerely, Doug Nyholm

Doug Nyholm





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PRIZES FOR MAY

Promptness Prize: 1959 Hong Kong Dollar

Junior Prize: 1973 RCMP Dollar

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Member Prize: 1991-1995 WWII Half Dollar#

The Buy of the month is: TBA

- 1- 2019 Moon-Landing Rocket set
- 2- 1947 silver Quarter slab MS64
- 3- Lucky money note
- 4- 1923 S Peace Dollar
- 5- 2008 Comm. ½ dollar Eagle
- 6- 1944 S Mercury Dime
- 7- 1973 RCMP Dollar
- 8- PENGO 1946 Budapest note
- 9- Lucky \$\$\$ note
- 10- 1922 S Peace Silver Dollar
- 11- 1865 2 cent piece
- 12- USAF silver round 1 ounce
- 13- Double Peace dollars 1923 D&S





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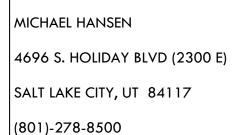
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May

Club Birthday & Medals Design

<u>June</u>

Youth Night

July

Picnic

August

Speaker—TBA



Speaker—TBA

December

Christmas Dinner

September

Club Auction

October

Speaker –TBA

November

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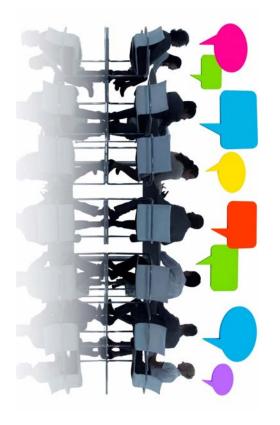
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YOUNG NUMISMATISTS

PHIL CLARK

SOME SUMMER REMINDERS FOR NUMISMATISTS AND FOOD FOR THOUGHT CON-CERNING HOW THE U.S. MINT IS DISTRIBUTING THE 2019-W QUARTERS

<u>IMPORTANT DATES</u> The month of May is a perfect time to mark your calendar and plan your summer vacation, so you don't miss important events for numismatists. The annual UNS Youth Night Program will be held on June 11, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at our usual meeting location. Everyone, both youth and adults, is encouraged to bring youth to this fun-filled and rewarding event to experience first hand the excitement and fun we enjoy as they build a collection celebrating the 110th year of the Lincoln cent. You also need to mark June 28th and 29th for the annual NUTS coin show at the usual location. July 9th at 6:00 P.M. at Sugarhouse Park will be the annual UNS picnic with its usual great food and sawdust coin hunt for youth. Both the Youth night and picnic are free events for all youth and what you find or are given are yours to take home with you.













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2019-W ATB QUARTERS Have you seen or received a W mintmark quarter in circulation? As I prepare this article, the only W mintmark quarters I've seen since the April meeting have been on EBAY. A majority of the EBAY coins are the Lowell quarters with prices ranging from \$25-\$100 depending on eye appeal and condition. A few sellers are even offering full rolls (40) for \$1200. Very few American Memorial quarters have been offered, but when they are, they're selling for \$120-\$200. To assemble a roll, you would have to examine almost 8,000 coins. Would seem there is considerable cherry picking underway making future successful finds more difficult. In my humble opinion, serious collectors and numismatists may have a difficult and costly time completing a full ATB quarter set and the Mint has once again proven by its actions that its concern for the hobby and numismatics is nothing but lip service. A much better program could have been offered to the numismatic community if the Mint would have set aside 10% (200,000 coins) for each of this year's W quarters and assembled them into a five (5) coin plastic proof set type holder with a unique card insert. I would have been willing to pay \$32 for the convenient availability of such an option with coins in better condition than many for sale on EBAY. Total revenue of \$6.4 million from such an approach could have provided a nice profit after costs were recovered, benefitted the American taxpayer and the numismatist, and prevented the profiteering currently affecting the numismatic community. Again, the Mint has fielded a poorly planned and executed program which clearly deserves an "F". Hopefully, if they choose to continue the W quarter dollars program for 2020 and 2021, they will revamp the program to make it more friendly to the numismatic/collector community.

Planned release dates for the last three ATB quarters this year are June 3rd for the War in the Pacific NHP quarter, August 26th for the San Antonio Missions NHP quarter, and November 4th for the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness quarter.

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